

## INDORSE COMPROMISE

Amendment to Smoke Law  
Accepted by Commissioners.

## TEMPORARY PROVISION

LAW TO REMAIN IN FORCE FOR  
ONE YEAR ONLY.Letter Addressed to Mr. John B. Lar-  
ner, Representative of Business  
Men of the City.

The District Commissioners last yesterday evening, after a long session, agreed to the compromise amendment of the present smoke law which was proposed recently by Attorney John B. Larner, representing various business and manufacturing interests in Washington. The Commissioners, however, do not agree to the permanent amendment of the existing law, but they are willing to agree to an amendment to be in force for one year from March 1, 1905, permitting continuous emission of smoke during periods of two minutes each, provided that not more than ten such emissions occur during daylight of any one day. The amendment also extends the law to locomotives and government buildings.

In brief, the Commissioners consent to this proposition of the business men as an experiment. The District Commissioners, on this question was today announced to Mr. Larner in a communication sent to him and copies of which were also forwarded to the chairman of the committee on the District of Columbia in Congress. The decision of the Commissioners was forwarded to Congress in order that the municipal authorities agree to the amendment in the event the citizens are able to secure enactment before the close of the present session.

Letter to Mr. Larner.  
The letter of the Commissioners to Mr. Larner, in which they announce their decision to consent to the amendment of the present law is as follows:

"The Commissioners have given careful consideration to your letter of February 20, 1905, in which, on behalf of certain business men, you ask them to approve a proposed amendment of the present smoke law which would permit the emission of smoke for two minutes at any one time, provided that not more than ten such emissions occur during daylight of any one day."

The Commissioners, recalling the statements made by you and others at the recent conference with them, that such an amendment to the law would at once reduce the smoke nuisance and relieve the operation of the law of undue hardship, and also that it ought to be given a trial for a period sufficient to show whether those claims are correct, have decided that they will agree to an experiment, with an amendment to the law substantially similar to that proposed by you, to be in force for one year from the 1st of March next (provided Congress shall enact the proposed amendment at this session), with the addition that the provisions of the smoke law shall be applied to all locomotive engines and to government buildings. A reasonable time should be allowed for the construction of roads can change the construction of their engines so as to comply with the law.

"The Commissioners, therefore, propose as a substitute for our present amendment providing that until March 1, 1906, a continuous emission of more than two minutes or a total of ten such emissions during daylight of any one day of dense or thick black or gray smoke orinders from any engine, boiler, furnace or chimney used in connection with any engine, boiler or furnace of any description within the District of Columbia shall be deemed a public nuisance."

"As the Commissioners understand it, the operation of such an amendment would be substantially similar to that under the present law, except that the permissible emission of smoke would be for two minutes instead of for one minute."

Mr. Macfarland's Statement.  
In announcing his determination to agree to the temporary amendment of the present smoke law, Commissioner Macfarland made the following statement:  
"I would not consent to any permanent amendment of the smoke law which would increase the permissible smoke emissions, in view of the representations that the proposed compromise amendment would actually diminish the smoke nuisance and at the same time remove all reasonable objection to the enforcement of the law. I am willing to have it tested by practical experience through all the seasons of the year. If it works as its advocates claim, no one will be more pleased than I, but if the law can only be demonstrated by a practical test."

"Under the form in which the Commissioners have approved the suggestion its operation would amount, it is claimed, to the present practice under the existing law, with the difference that a two-minute period instead of a one-minute period of emission would be permitted, while the total number of emissions would be restricted as to actually reduce the amount of smoke emitted. It is also claimed that the rigorous enforcement of the proposed amendment would be entirely feasible, and could not be objected to by anybody."

Provision Added.  
"Besides, expressly providing that the proposed amendment to the law shall be temporary, expiring at a time when Congress will be here in a long session and will be able to pass upon the subject if any further amendment is desired, the Commissioners add to the compromise amendment offered to them a provision for including the locomotive engines and government buildings. While they have good reason to believe that the test case which has just been made against the government printing office will be decided in favor of the application of the law, they are of the opinion that the higher court if not in the Police Court, there can be no objection to including the government buildings in the law."

"The proposed amendment is very different from the provision which passed the Senate and is a nonpartisan measure, permitting a three-minute continuous emission except in cases of new fires, when six minutes' continuous emission shall be allowed, or a total of ten emissions amounting to sixty minutes in each day, with the inclusion of government buildings, but not of locomotive engines."

STRUCK BY TRAIN.  
John H. Knoch Has Serious and Perhaps Fatal Accident.

A serious and perhaps fatal accident occurred about noon today on the railroad crossing at Virginia avenue and 4th street southwest. Mr. John H. Knoch, eighty-one years old, a resident of Halpine, Montgomery county, Maryland, was crossing the railroad tracks when engine No. 5004, James Murphy, driver, on the Pennsylvania railroad came along and struck him. He was knocked down and seriously injured, but did not become unconscious. The police patrol wagon responded to a call for assistance, and Mr. Knoch was removed to the Emergency Hospital. The surgeons found he had sustained two lacerated wounds of the scalp, two fractured ribs and an injury to his chest. It was stated at the hospital this afternoon that, while the condition of the patient is serious, he may recover.

Building Permits Issued.  
The following building permits were issued today:  
To F. D. McAllister, two two-story brick dwellings, 608 and 610 M street northwest, east, cost, \$14,000, and for six two-story brick dwellings, 623 to 643 6th street northwest, east, cost, \$16,000.

## Sale of White Chinaware

At extraordinarily low prices. A great opportunity for proprietors of hotels, boarding-house keepers and private families.

By helping a large pottery to clean up its surplus lots and duplicate stock we secured an immense quantity of White Warwick Chinaware to sell at two-thirds to one-half usual prices.

100-piece Plain White Dinner Sets, with festooned edge. Regular price \$5. Regularly \$3.98.	Warwick China Egg Cups, large size. Regularly 10c. at 5c.	Warwick China Meat Dishes, in the following sizes, at reduced prices: 10-in. size at 8c.; regular 12c.; 12-in. size at 25c., regular 30c.; 14-in. size, 20c., regular 45c.
9-piece Warwick China Toilet Sets, with roll edge basin; regular price \$1.08. Regularly \$1.49.	Warwick China Soup Plates, with fancy edge. Regularly 15c. at 5c.	Warwick China Dinner Plates, extra thin, with fancy edge. Regularly 8c. at 5c.
Plain White Wash Basins, with roll edge; regular price 30c. at 15c.	Warwick China Pickle Dishes, with fancy edge. Regularly 15c. at 10c.	Warwick China Breakfast Plates, with fancy edge. Regularly 7c. at 4c.
Warwick China Covered Chambers, large size; regular price 45c. at 25c.	Warwick China Coffee Bowls, Regularly 10c. at 5c.	Warwick China Tea Plates, with fancy edge. Regularly 15c. at 3c.
Two-quart White China Water Jugs; regular price 15c. at 10c.	Warwick China Sugar Bowls; large size. Regularly 25c. at 15c.	Warwick China Gravy Boats; regular price 15c. at 10c.
Warwick China Fruit Saucers, with fancy edge. Regularly 4c. each, at 2c.	Warwick China Vegetable Dishes, with fancy edge. Regularly 15c. at 10c.	Warwick China Covered Vegetable Dishes; round and oval; large size; regular price 30c. at 15c.
Warwick China Oatmeal Saucers, 4c. Regularly 6c. at 4c.	Warwick China Salad Dishes. Regularly 10c. at 5c.	Warwick China Individual Butters; regular price 1c. at 1/2c.
Warwick China Tea Pots, with cover. Regularly 45c. at 25c.	Warwick China Covered Butter Dishes with drainers. Regularly 30c. at 15c.	Warwick China Bowls and Pitchers; fancy roll edge; regular price 88c. at 75c.

## \$7 Dinner Sets, \$4.49.

This is a good, serviceable Dinner Set of Warwick Decorated China, and will suit the needs of Inauguration guests as well as for personal use at all times when the best china is not required.

The set comprises 47 pieces; all with filled-in flower decorations, full gold finished, and includes the following pieces:

Six Cups and Saucers,	One Covered Dish,
Six Dinner Plates,	One Meat Dish,
Six Soup Plates,	One Vegetable Dish,
Six Fruit Saucers,	Six Breakfast Plates.
Six Butter Dishes,	

Regular \$7.00 value offered tomorrow at \$4.49.

## Table Linens Lowered.

Less than you expected to pay for Inauguration Linens tomorrow, because of a concession secured from a wholesaler on several lots of sturdy quality Linens.

20 pieces of Heavy Mercerized Satin Damask; superior finish; guaranteed to retain the luster; elegant line of all new patterns; never a yard sold under 50c. Wednesday, per yard..... 39c.	15 pieces of Silver Bleached German Damask; strictly all linen; heavy weight and entirely free from starch or dressing; chrysanthemum, spot, clover and many other new and popular patterns. Special, yard..... 46c.
200 doz. 5-1/2 size All pure Linen Napkins; German damask; the same as above; cloth and patterns to match; fast selvage on both sides. Special, per doz..... 94c.	1,000 yards of Gray Absorbent Crash Toweling; soft finish absorbent weave; 18 inches wide; fast selvage on both sides; suitable for roller or tea towels. Worth 9c. yard. Wednesday, per yard..... 57 1/2c.

## Big Values in Laces.

Folks who are busy with preparations for receiving Inauguration visitors should not neglect this opportunity to buy crisp, new Laces at much less than regular prices.

Included are the season's favorites—Point de Alos, Breton, Repousse, Point Gaz, Normandy, Plat Val, Point de Paris, Mechlin, French Vals, and Italian Vals,—all at decided savings.

Usual 25c. Valenciennes Beading, 12-1/2 yard bolts, price, per bolt..... 18c.	Usual 8c. and 10c. German Torchon Laces; up to 4 inches wide; edges and insertings in match sets. Sale price, yard..... 33 1/2c.
Usual 12 1/2c. and 15c. Normandy Val. Laces; insertings to match. Sale price, yard..... 8 1/2c.	Usual 13c. Venice Laces, in assortment of single and double, with and without center, sale price, yard..... 10c.
Usual 30c. Breton Laces; 8 and 10 inches wide; in repousse and open-work designs; white, butter and Arabian. Yard..... 25c.	Usual 75c. Net Top All-over Laces, in new designs. Sale price, yard..... 44c.
Usual 19c. Net Top Laces, up to 4 inches wide. Sale price, yard..... 10c.	Usual 95c. Venice and Net Top All-over Laces, in lovely effects. Sale price, yard..... 69c.

## Two Special Values in MATTRESSES For the Inauguration.

Good quality Mattresses; straw center and cotton top filling; covered with durable ticking; nicely dressed with tape; regular \$2.50 value. Regularly \$1.79.

Superior quality Mattresses; combination center, with cotton filling top and bottom; for single or double beds; covered with extra good quality ticking, and carefully bound. Regular \$4.50 value. Regularly \$2.98.

## THE DISTRICT BILL

(Continued from First Page.)

House instead of \$2,500 as proposed by the Senate, for miscellaneous expenses of the coroner's office.

Municipal Building.  
Increases the limit of cost of the municipal building from \$200,000 to \$250,000, as proposed by the Senate.

Makes immediately available appropriations for purchase of a stable for the street sweeping office; appropriates \$7,500 for purchase of plots and field notes of William J. Ladner, and appropriates \$500 for stable, wagon shed and fence for morgue, all as proposed by the Senate.

Authorizes the expenditure of not exceeding \$3,000 for the employment of special counsel to assist the corporation counsel, and \$1,000 for an additional clerk, in connection with the settlement of claims for damages incident to changes of grade.

Appropriates \$15,000, as proposed by the Senate, for the Bunker Hill road crossing of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Strikes out the provision for repaving 1st street between B and C streets northwest.

Inserts all of the special appropriations proposed by the Senate for improving of certain county roads and suburban streets, except the following, which are omitted: Philadelphia street, Chesapeake street and Lincoln avenue.

Inserts the provision proposed by the Senate relating to the assessment of benefits in the widening of V street northwest, the sum of \$1,000 paid by Virginia C. Hildekoper as a deposit.

Appropriates \$200,000 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$185,500 as proposed by the House for repairs of streets, avenues and alleys.

Appropriates \$7,000, as proposed by the Senate, for maintenance of the new highway bridge.

Inserts the provision proposed by the Senate relating to the reconstruction of Anacostia bridge and increasing the cost thereof from \$250,000 to \$375,000.

Appropriates, as proposed by the Senate, \$20,000 for and authorized a contract for the construction of a concrete bridge across Piney branch on 10th street extended.

Relating to Sewers.  
By relating to sewers, it makes certain of the appropriations therefor immediately available and increases from \$62,080 to \$70,000 the amount for completing 4 1/2 street intercepting sewer.

## Women's Wear.

Short Flannelette Petticoats in pink and blue stripes; with yoke band and scalloped edge. Heavy quality. 29c.

25 dozen Low and High-neck Corset Covers; with French seams. Finished nicely; trim. All sizes. Regular \$1.50 value. Regularly 91c.

Colored Lawn Kimonos; in neat polka dots and figures. Yoke back and front. Finished with plain borders. All sizes up to 42. Tomorrow 25c.

Open 8-8 1/2 a.m.; close at 6 p.m. Saturdays open until 9 p.m.

## Crombie's SEVENTH AND K STREETS. "THE DEPENDABLE STORE."

## 81x90 "Ironclad" Sheets, Worth 59c. 39c. Worth 59c.

Another lot of the famous "Ironclad" Bleached Sheet on sale tomorrow at 39c. instead of 59c.—all the mill had to sell at this price. 81x90 inches—full size for double beds. Hand-torn and ironed. Finished with good-sized hem.

These are classed as "seconds" because of a tiny tear in the seam or some other slight imperfection which can be easily remedied with needle and thread.

Tomorrow at 39c. instead of 59c.

81x90 Unbleached Sheets, made of regular sheeting cotton. Extra heavy quality. Finished with deep hem. Perfect quality. Special 47c.

90x100 Columbia Sheets; extra size for large beds. Finished with deep hem. Hand torn and ironed. Special value at 58c.

45x36 Bleached Pillow Cases, regular size, finished with deep hem. Hand torn and ironed. Made of short lengths of sheeting. Regular 12c. quality for 9 1/2c.

100 dozen 42x36 Bleached Pillow Cases, regular size, finished with deep hem. Made of short lengths of sheeting representing the best brands on the market. None worth less than 12 1/2c. 73 1/2c.

\$1.25 Cots at 89c. Another big lot of Woven Wire Cots just received from the manufacturer—ready tomorrow at 89c. instead of \$1.25, the price asked about town. These are strongly built for wear as well as looks, and have adjustable wooden frame and raised head piece.

Cot Pads at 79c. each. Well-made Cot Pads; filled with cotton and jute, and covered with good durable ticking. They will afford rest and comfort to those who will sleep on cots during the Inauguration. Tomorrow, at 79c. each.

Two Towel Bargains. A bargain's all the better if timely. Here are two underprice lots of Towels that will bring a big crowd tomorrow:

500 dozen large-size Huck Towels; full bleached; plain white and colored borders; hemmed ready to use. \$1.00 dozen. 81 1/2c. Each..... 81 1/2c.

100 doz. large-size heavy woven Unbleached Turkish Towels, made of soft, double-twisted yarn; neat red borders and fringed at the ends. Instead of 51 1/2c. 8c. Wednesday, each, 51 1/2c.

75c. Blankets, 55c. 500 pairs of Laurel Mills Cotton Blankets; good heavy weight; with colored borders. Choice of gray and white. Just what's needed for cots and single beds. Tomorrow at 55c. instead of 75c.

11-quarter Cotton Blankets; heavy weight, and soft cotton fleece, with colored borders. Regular \$1.25 values for 98c.

Special offering of Large Size Comforts for double beds; filled with cotton and covered with best quality silkline. Usual \$1.39 value for 98c.

12-quarter Extra Heavy Fleece Blankets, with colored borders; full of wear and satisfaction. Usual \$2.50 value for \$1.98.

Household Requisites. Extra Quality Tin Wash Boilers, Special at 45c.

Our "Winner" Brand Perforated Toilet Paper; 1,000 sheets of paper; 5c.

Challenge Rubber Wingers; family size; rubber vulcanized on steel shafts. Special at \$1.69.

35-pound Japanned Sugar Cans; Special at 9c.

250 Extra Quality Cocoa Door Mats; sold regularly at 50c. for 39c.

3-piece Japanned Toilet Set, consisting of foot tub, jar and water carrier. Special at 98c.

Gilray Sham Holders; will fit any wooden bed. Special tomorrow at 17c.

Family size Corrugated Wash Boilers; strictly hand made, warranted against leaking for one year. Special at 79c.

14-quart Galvanized Iron Water Pails; regularly at 29c. Special at 19c.

Iron Beds at Price Concessions. Stanchly made White Enamel-iron Beds at prices that will be doubly appreciated this week.

Plain White Enamel Iron Beds, with straight head and foot, strongly made; in 3 ft. 6 in. and 4 ft. 6 in. sizes. Regular \$3.50 value. Regularly \$2.48.

White Enamel Iron Beds; topped head and foot with three-quarter-inch brass rods, extending full width; finished with brass knobs. Regular \$4.00 value for \$4.69.

Senate, instead of \$43,000, as proposed by the House, for fuel for school buildings.

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Appropriates \$13,200, instead of \$13,800, for Rock Creek Park.

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Relating to public school teachers it inserts a provision providing for a teacher to be undergarden work in normal school number two at \$1,000, and strikes out all of the provisions by the Senate increasing the salaries of public school teachers.

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